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HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
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MICROSYSTEM ACUPUNCTURE FOR TREATMENT OF VISION
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether an alternative treatment for loss of vision has been developed through Microsystem acupuncture;

(a) if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether this new treatment is being used in the Government hospitals; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE (SMT. PANABAKA LAKSHMI)

(a) to (d) As per the information available, Micro acupuncture is reported to be used in some western countries for treatment of macular degeneration, a visual disorder which causes loss of vision. However, there are no reports of the system being used extensively in Government hospitals, in India.